

*In Loving Memory of*  
**BETTY JEAN BROWN**

September 16, 1942 - May 19, 2026



**MAY 30, 2026**  
— 11AM —

**Rev. Arnold Ray Joseph, Eulogist**  
Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church  
1262 Martin Luther King Jr. Rd., Charenton, LA 70523

# *Order of Service*

## **Officiant**

Reverend Arnold Ray Joseph

## **Prelude**

## **Processional**

## **Scripture Readings**

Pastor Isabella Gasper

## **Prayer**

Pastor Isabella Gasper

## **Musical Selection**

"Amazing Grace"

## **Obituary Reading**

Connie Lewis

## **Song of Comfort**

## **Eulogy**

Reverend Arnold Ray Joseph

## **Acknowledgements & Resolutions**

Connie Lewis

## **Final Viewing**

## **Recessional**

*Repast directly after at Baldwin Community Center*



# BETTY



# JEAN BROWN

Betty Jean (Joseph) Brown transitioned from labor to reward, entering eternal rest surrounded by the love she so freely gave throughout her life. She was a woman of grace, dignity, faith, and quiet strength whose presence left a lasting impression on all who had the privilege of knowing her.

Born on September 16, 1942, to the union of Melanese Murdock and Clarence Joseph, Betty was raised in the community of Baldwin and attended St. Mary Parish schools. She was baptized at an early age and became a devoted member of St. John Baptist Church, where her spiritual foundation guided her throughout her life.

Betty was united in holy matrimony to John Alfred Brown, and together they were blessed with four children. She was a devoted wife, loving mother, grandmother, sister, and treasured friend. Betty carried herself with elegance and strength, always extending kindness, wisdom, and care to those around her. Her home was a sanctuary of peace, love, laughter, and hospitality, where all were welcomed and made to feel valued.

She was also a faithful member of the Ladies of Independence Civic & Social Club, where she shared in service, fellowship, and sisterhood with pride and commitment.

Betty's nurturing spirit extended far beyond her immediate family. She lovingly opened her heart and home to many children, relatives, and friends, offering guidance, structure, protection, and unconditional love. Among those especially dear to her were JaKylon Hurst, Rondre Adams, Renwic White, RaLonda Brown, RaShonda Brown, and Ra'Untiea Brown who shared cherished years and lifelong memories under her care.

Precious memories will be shared by her children, Reginald Brown (Esther) of Charenton and Rachel Brown Jones (William) of Scott; sister, Lethia Joseph of Dallas; brother, Clarence Joseph Jr. (Earnestine) of Four Corners; 14 grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; godchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, relatives, and friends who will forever honor her legacy.

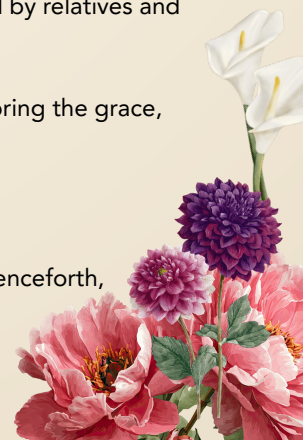
She was preceded in death by her beloved husband, John Alfred Brown; parents; daughter, Renee Shann Brown; son, Raynon Trevor Brown; and grandchild, Kirsten Chameka Thomas, along with other cherished family members who welcomed her home.

Betty leaves an insurmountable legacy of love behind. She will be sadly missed by relatives and friends who realize that earth has no sorrow that Heaven cannot heal.

Family and friends are invited to continue celebrating her life and legacy, honoring the grace, strength, and love she embodied throughout her journey.

2 Timothy 4:7-8

"I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course. I have kept the faith: Henceforth, there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, shall give me at that day."



# Tributes

## To Our Mother

Our beloved mother has gone home to be with the Lord; but her love remains with us forever. Our mother loved us unconditionally. To us, she was the center of our world. Her heart was a place of comfort, strength, protection, and endless giving. She nurtured us with patience, guided us with wisdom, and surrounded us with love that never wavered. She was the foundation of our family, the one who held us together with her kindness and her quiet strength. Though we will miss her deeply, we are forever grateful for the love she poured into each of us. Her spirit lives in our memories, in the lessons she taught us, and in love, we continue to share as a family. We will miss her presence, her voice, and her warm embrace, but we take comfort knowing she is at peace. Our mother's love was her legacy and it will remain with us always.

Love, Reginald and Rachel

## To Our Sister

There are no words deep enough to truly express the pain and heartbreak we feel in losing you. You were not only our sister, but a piece of our hearts, a part of our lives that can never be replaced. No matter how much time passes, we will always love you, cherish you, and carry your memory with us every single day. You had a strong spirit and could be tough at times, but underneath it all was a loving and caring soul.

You always showed up for the people you loved, and your presence brought comfort, laughter, and strength to our family. The bond we shared as brother and sisters is something death can never take away. One of the greatest blessings we will hold onto forever was our last day together. We were able to pray with you, comfort you, and surround you with love. In those final moments, we held onto our faith and asked God to give us the strength to face a world without you in it. Though our hearts are heavy, we find peace knowing you were deeply loved until the very end. As your brother and sister, we will forever be grateful for the love we shared. Our brother always stood beside and protected his sisters, watching over us with love and care throughout our lives. That love and devotion will remain a part of us forever. We will miss your voice, your smile, your presence, and even the little things that made you uniquely you. Life will never feel the same without you here, but we promise to keep your memory alive in everything we do. Rest peacefully, our beautiful sister. Until we meet again, you will forever remain in our hearts, loved beyond words and missed beyond measure.

Love, Clarence Joseph ( Nick) and Lethia Joseph ( Peewee)

## To Our Grandmother

We want to honor and celebrate the extraordinary woman you were. You were the heart of our family, a guiding light whose love, strength, wisdom, and faith touched each of our lives in ways that words can never fully express. You created a foundation of love that will continue through generations. Whether through your prayers, your comforting words, your warm meals, your laughter, or simply your presence, you made each of us feel deeply loved and cared for. You taught us the meaning of resilience, compassion, family, and unconditional love. Some of our greatest memories were created in your presence, surrounded by your warmth and the way you made a house feel like home. Your legacy lives on in each of us, in the values you instilled, the traditions you created, and the love that will forever bind this family together. We will miss your voice, your smile, and your presence more than words can say, but we find comfort in knowing your love will always remain with us. Mawmaw, we love you and you will never be forgotten.

Love, Your Grandchildren

## To Our Mother-in-Love

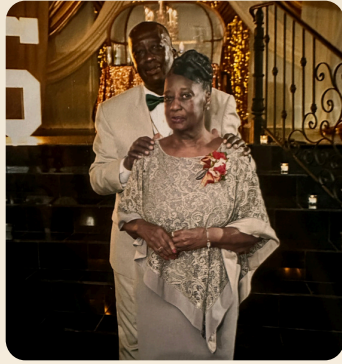
The bond we shared went far beyond marriage, you became family in the truest sense! You celebrated us, checked on us, and loved us unconditionally - a second mother, a confidant, and one of our our greatest blessings. The pain of losing you is deep because the love we shared was real and unforgettable. We will forever cherish the memories and the bond we were blessed to have with you.

Love, Esther and Billy

## To Our Aunt & Godmother

Thank you for being a constant source of love and wisdom in our lives. You were more than family, you were a safe place and a second mother to so many of us. We will hold onto all the memories we created with you. Love you always.

Love, Your Nieces, Nephews, and Godchildren





# TO THOSE I LOVE & THOSE WHO LOVE ME

When I am gone, release me, let me go.  
I have so many things to see and do.  
You mustn't tie yourself to me with tears,  
Be happy that we had so many years.

I gave you my love, you can only guess,  
How much you gave to me in happiness.  
Thank you for the love each of you have shown,  
But now it's time I traveled on alone.

So grieve awhile for me, if grieve you must  
Then let your grief be comforted by trust.

It's only for awhile that we must part  
So keep the memories within your heart.

Though you can't see or touch me, I'll be near  
And if you listen with your heart,  
You'll hear all of my love around you soft and clear.

And then, when you must come this way alone,  
I'll greet you with a smile and say,  
"Welcome Home."



## ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The family extends heartfelt thanks to each of you. The support shown before, during and after her transition has blown us away. Your prayers, calls, cards, flowers, food, gifts, hugs, texts and visits have comforted us. Though our hearts are broken, your acts of kindness have served as a reminder that God sees, hears and cares about us.

## SPECIAL THANKS

The family would like to extend special gratitude to Rachel and William Jones, who lovingly cared for Betty in their home during her final months. Their compassion, patience, grace, and unwavering devotion ensured she was surrounded by dignity, comfort, and love.

## ACTIVE PALLBEARERS

Berlon Brown Jr.	Centrell Joseph
Bobby Brown	Craig Joseph
Jamall Hurst	Kendrick Wilson
Damian Jackson	Renwic White

## HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Rondre Adams	Reginald Brown
Ra'Shawn Batiste	Rodric Brown
Dawayne Brown	Ja'Kylon Hurst
Derek Brown	Jayden Jones
Raynon Brown Jr.	William Jones

## INTERMENT

Sacred Heart Catholic Church Cemetery  
408 Martin Luther King St.  
Baldwin, LA 70514

Final and most sacred arrangements entrusted to

